

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 25, with the following rewritten paragraph:

C1 - Super-absorbent materials occur as powders or fibers. The advantage of powders is that they have a markedly higher absorption capacity than fibers due to their significantly larger surface area. Super-absorbent fibers are moreover more expensive. -

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

C2 - The substrate with the super-absorbent material according to the invention can in principle be used in any field in which at the moment super-absorbent powders and fibers and substrate materials provided with super-absorbent powders and fibers are also used. -

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